

John Adair

To the Honorable JOHN BREDIN, President, and ~~THOMAS HENRY~~ and BENJAMIN ADAMS,
Esqs. Associate Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, now sitting for Beaver County:

The Petition of *William Brown* of the County of Beaver,
humbly sheweth: THAT your Petitioner, *had filed a declaration of his*
intentions to become a citizen of the United States
in the year 1854 and had resided
within the State of Pennsylvania, at
least three years, that he will support the Constitution of the United States, and that he
doth absolutely renounce and abjure, all allegiance and fidelity to any foreign prince, po-
tentate, state or sovereignty whatever, particularly to the *King of Great Britain*
to whom he was heretofore a subject, that
he hath never borne any hereditary title, nor hath been of any of the orders of nobility in
the Kingdom from which he came, and is ready to declare on oath the truth of these
things, and prays to be admitted a Citizen of the United States, and of the Commonwealth
of Pennsylvania.

Wm Brown

Beaver County, ss.

At a Court of Common Pleas, held for said County, on the *27*
day of *September*, A. D. *1857*, before the Honorable John Bredin, President,
and ~~Thomas Henry~~ and Benjamin Adams, Esqs. Associate Judges of the same Court—
came *Wm Brown* and being sworn according to law, saith that what
he hath set forth in the above petition is the truth, and that he doth renounce and abjure
all allegiance and fidelity to and foreign prince, potentate, or sovereignty, whatever, and
particularly to the *King of Great Britain*
and that he will support the Constitution of the United States.

SWORN IN OPEN COURT.

John A. Scroggs

Wm Brown

Beaver County, ss.

At a Court of Common Pleas, held at Beaver, the *27*
day of *November*, A. D. *1857*, for said County, came into Court, *John*
Ramsay, a citizen of the United States, and being sworn according to law,
saith, that he hath known the above named *William Brown*
during the term of a five years residence, and under the jurisdiction of the said United
States, as in the above Petition set forth by the said *Wm Brown*
and that he hath behaved himself as a man of good moral character, and attached to the
Constitution of the United States, and well disposed to the good order and happiness of
the same.

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED IN OPEN COURT.

John Ramsay